Kenneth N. Oliver District 4 News

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News & Views from around your community



Greetings!

It's been a busy summer here in the 4th District and I hope you can see the fruits of our labors, as we work with residents to identify and deal with nuisance properties in our neighborhoods. Please see inside for information on how you, too, can help keep the 4th District beautiful, by reporting county code violations, which include high grass, illegal signage and rodent problems.

We've been out in the community, visiting with

new business owners, catching up at neighborhood meetings and attending events, such as the wonderful Year Up graduation ceremony for young people who

have been interning at our 4th District businesses and corporations. A celebration marking the desegregation of Gwynn Oak Amusement park 50 years ago, was an uplifting event. See inside for more.

We have news on the restaurant front, with a new seafood eatery opening in Randallstown, a new Dunkin' Donuts, and Ruby Tuesday is moving forward in the county planning process for a location on Liberty Road.

Don't forget to catch up with our County Council business inside, and this month I will be attending the Maryland Association of Counties meeting, to try to spur more investment in our area.

Please patronize our farmers markets in Randallstown and Reisterstown and don't forget the Main Street Music concerts ongoing throughout the summer – see inside for a link to the schedule.

Please have a safe and enjoyable summer and take advantage of other upcoming events, including Baltimore County Restauant Week and the Stevenswood 5K, set for New Town High School. See inside for details.

As always, if you need to reach my office, give us a call at (410) 887-3389, or email us at council4@baltimorecountymd.gov. We are here to serve you. Thanks again for the opportunity to continue working for you.

Best regards,

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Contact us for information on District 4 issues

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Entrepreneur brings experience, seafood specialties to new eatery



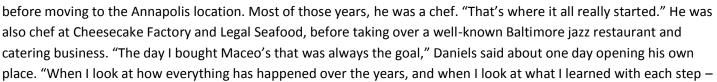
Dante Daniels just can't stop smiling. Why? The experienced and well-traveled chef, business owner, and entrepreneur is bringing his latest restaurant venture to Randallstown. During a recent visit to his under-construction eatery, he was like a kid in a candy store. Or, like a chef opening his very own restaurant. Colin's Seafood and Grill is on track to open this fall in Randallstown shopping center, 3635 Offutt Road.

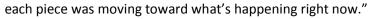
At 42, Daniels has close to three decades of restaurant experience, which began when the Northeast Baltimore native was just 15 years old. "I worked at Duff's Smorgasbord as a busser, dishwasher and then as a cook," Daniels

said. "I was already interested in cooking. I had to beg my manager, 'I want to go into the kitchen!'"

Daniels credits his grandmother as his cooking inspiration. "My grandmother is a great cook," he said, rattling off her specialties, including crab cakes, collard greens, candied yams and corn bread, some of which will be on the menu.

The entrepreneur attended Baltimore International College, and began cooking at Phillip's Seafood in the Inner Harbor, where he worked for seven years





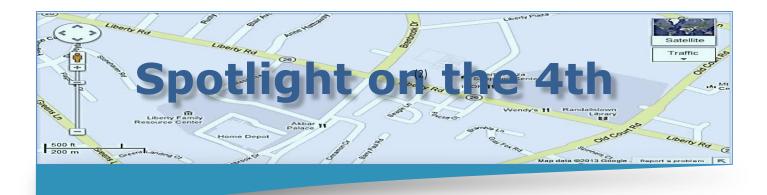


Right now, what's happening is Colin's: planned as an up-scale, sit-down, 146-seat restaurant and bar, featuring fresh fish, whole Maine lobster, crab cakes, a raw bar, burgers, chicken, soups and salads. "Excellent food in a friendly, warm atmosphere," Daniels said. "I want to have a nice, fun, safe place to get a good restaurant meal at a nice price. We are not going to be a bar, or a club. We are a restaurant with a family/friendly atmosphere." The space also includes a banquet/meeting room and catering. Daniels said the eatery will create 40 jobs.

Daniels gives much credit to his wife/co-owner/designer, Candes Daniels, and his chefs and staffers Christopher Calvi, Sean Collins, Miles Bellamy, Bob Banks, and Colin, his son, who gave the new venture its name.

For more info and updates, go to www.colinsseafoodandgrill.com





Check out what's happening around the 4th District



It's that time again!
Baltimore
County
Restaurant
Week 2013
kicks off August
9 and runs
through August
25. Northwest
corridor

eateries offering the \$15.13, \$25.13, and \$35.13 prix fixe lunch and dinner menus include: Artful Gourmet Bistro, FountainSide, Linwoods, Mari Luna Latin Grille, Ruth's Chris Steak House, Suburban House, and The Grill at Harryman House. For a full list of participating restaurants, prix fixe menus, and more information, go to www.baltimorecountyrestaurantweek.com.



Main Street Music, a series of free outdoor concerts, continues through the summer on Friday evenings on the grounds of Franklin Middle School on Main Street in Reisterstown. There are food vendors offering pizza, burgers, fries, soft pretzels, snowballs,

gourmet chocolates, kettle corn and soft-serve ice cream. Event organizers say "there's something for everyone! Music starts at 7 p.m. and ends at 9:30 p.m. Bring your family, friends, lawn chairs and wear your dancin' shoes. It's always a good time."

For a full schedule, go to: www.owingsmills.patch.com/groups/arts-and-entertainment/p/music-on-main-street-lineup-announced

What's happening at your library branch:

- Owings Mills Library events: 410-887-2092 "Baby Story Time," stories, rhymes, and songs, followed by play time, 0-23 months with adult, registration required, Thurs., Aug. 15, 9:30 a.m.; "Preschool Story Time," stories, songs and activities, 2-5 years old with adult, Thurs., Aug. 15, 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.
- Randallstown Library events: 410-887-0770 "Baba Jamal Koram: African Stories from the Americas," history, humor, music and lore of African and African-American cultures, all ages, under 8 with adult, Tues., Aug.13, 6:30 p.m.; "Preschool Story Time," stories, songs and activities, 2-5 years old with adult, Weds., Aug. 14, 10 a.m.; "Baby Story Time," stories, rhymes, songs, play time, 0-23 months with adult, registration required, Weds., Aug. 14, 11 a.m.; "Introduction to Microsoft Word," 13 years and up, registration required, Sat., Aug. 17, 9 a.m.
- "STEMtacular," fun experiments exploring science, technology, engineering and math, 6-12 years old children 6-7 with adult, Tues., Aug. 13, 11 a.m.; "Seeking Treasure," pirate-themed show with puppets, balloons and audience participation, all ages children under 8 with adult, Weds, August 14, 11 a.m.; "Mandarin Chinese Story Time," stories and songs in both English and Mandarin Chinese, all ages children under 8 with adult, Thurs., Aug. 15, 7 p.m.; "Baby Story Time," stories, rhymes, songs, play time, 0-23 months with adult, registration required, Fri., Aug. 16, 9:30 a.m.; "Preschool Story Time," stories, songs and activities, 2-5 years with adult, Fri., Aug. 16, 11 a.m.

FARMERS MARKET AND FILM FUN...

The Randallstown **Farmers** Market is still going strong every Wednesday in the parking lot of the Randallstown Library, 8604 Liberty Road. The market, which runs Wednesdays, 1-5 p.m.



continues

adding new vendors. The LRBA is also sponsoring **Summer Movie Nights** with "Monsters University," **Aug. 15**, at Olde Mill Esates; and films **Aug. 22** in the Brighton Community, and **Aug. 29** at Campfield Early Learning Center. For more information, call Kelly Carter at 410-655-7766.





More Spotlight on the 4th...









"Somebody really needs to mow that grass now!"

(This was a popular item from our June issue, so we are rerunning it to help answer your Code Enforcement concerns.)



Who do you turn to when there is an abandoned property on your street that's turned into a dumping ground? Or a foreclosed house next door with two-foot high grass?

These are common county code violations, and the Baltimore County Code delineates regulations against these types of nuisances. It's easy to submit a complaint online, and to follow the complaint as it moves through the inspection process.

First, you can check the online database of complaints to see if the issue was reported. Click link below, then click Code Enforcement (PDF): www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/permits/codeenforcement/complaintreports.html

If you do not find a complaint already filed, you may fill out an online complaint form here: baltimorecountymd.gov/needtocontact/codecomplaint.

For more information and an overview of county codes and code enforcement, go to:
www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/permits/codeinspections.html

School starts this month, Monday, Aug. 26, so get online and check out Baltimore County Public Schools new website, with all the info and helpful tips for 2013-2014 school year: www.bcps.org.

Jesus House Baltimore's Back 2 School event, Aug. 10, 11 a.m., Rockdale Park, 410-521-4783.

Stormwater management fee questions? Go to www.baltimorecountymd.gov/stormwaterfee.

National Night Out Against Crime

Councilman Oliver, along with state, county and business officials, including Maryland Attorney General Douglas F. Gansler, right, attended the Liberty Road Business Association's National Night Out, Aug. 6, at

Mount Olive United Methodist Church, in Randallstown.

There was food, music, entertainment, speakers, and information from government agencies.

Other National Night Out events were planned at Hilltop, Deerfield, Greystone,





Oakwood Village, Woodlands of Deer Park, Kings Park, Mardella Run, Stevenswood, Timber Glen, New Town, Chartley, Forest Garden, Villa Nova, Valley Brook, and Pahl's Crossing. For more photos check out the FB page: www.facebook.com/friendstoreelectkenoliver



Stevenswood Improvement
Association is organizing a
Stevenswood Community 5K
Run/Walk for Wellness. Open to
the Greater Randallstown
Community, the free 5K is set for
Sunday, Sept. 15, at 10 a.m. at New
Town High School, 4931 New Town

Blvd. Wellness goody bags for the first 100 finishers. For more information and a printable 5K Training Schedule, go to www.stevenswood.org (click Pages & Links). Sponsored by S.I.A. and LifeBridge Health.

Give blood, save a life: Monday, Aug. 19, 2-7 p.m., Owings Mills Mall, call 410-363-7000; Tuesday, Aug. 20, 2-7 p.m., Beth Israel Congregation, 3707 Crondall Lane, call 410-517-1926; Wednesday, Aug. 28, 2:30-8 p.m., Owings Mills Vol. Fire Co., 10401 Owings Mills Blvd., call 443-506-8047. For more info: 1-800-RED-CROSS. (5)

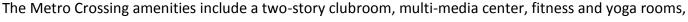


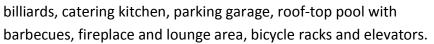
Leasing office opens for apartments at Metro Centre

The Metro Centre at Owings Mills continues to come alive, as this month the leasing center for Metro Crossing Apartments opens. Following the opening of the 120,000-square-foot County Campus Building with the Owings Mills Library and CCBC's Owings Mills campus, Metro Crossing is the first business to open, offering 232 apartments for lease in two five-story buildings on Grand Central Avenue – the hub of the new town center development.

The apartments, which include one- and two-bedroom floor plans, occupy the top four floors, while the ground floor will eventually open about 56,000 square feet of retail shops and eateries.

Apartments range from 700 to 1,245 square feet and include open kitchen designs and nine-foot ceilings.





Metro Crossing offers the first housing in Metro Centre, which is planned to have up to 1,700 units, 300,000 square feet of retail and restaurant space, up to 1.2 million square feet of office space, multiple parking garages, and a hotel with up to 250 rooms, when the project is complete.

For more information, call 888-822-0578, go to www.metrocrossingapts.com email metrocentre@davidsbrowne.com, or text MetroC to 29999 (standard text messaging rates apply).

Meanwhile, CCBC is now holding classes at the new Owings Mills campus, go to http://ccbcmd.edu for more info.







Memorial plaque dedicated to civil rights activitsts



Under a bright blue, hot summer sky, hundreds of people, young and old, black and white and brown, of many faiths, gathered at Gwynn Oak Park in Woodlawn, July 7, to remember and honor the multi-racial, multi-faith coalition of activists that stood their ground to ensure the

desegregation of the former Gwynn Oak Amusement Park, which operated on the site from the late 1800s through the early 1970s.

The July 7 event included Civil Rights and faith speakers, music, remembrances by protesters and county officials, and even an appearance by Sharon Langley, who was the first black child to ride Gwynn Oak's popular merry-go-round. Festivities included an armin-arm walk across the park to dedicate a new memorial plaque installed recently near the park entrance, honoring the Civil Rights heroes, men and women, who risked abuse, attacks and arrest so everyone could enjoy the amusement park.





For info on a film about the desegregation, go to http://gwynnoak1963.weebly.com.

For info about the book, "Round & Round Together," by Amy Nathan, go to www.amynathanbooks.com.







County Council Roundup:

Baltimore County Council's legislative Aug./Sept. schedule:

MONTH	MEETING DATE	WORK SESSION
AUGUST	8-5-13	7-30-13
SEPTEMBER	9-3-13	8-27-13
	9-16-13	9-10-13

The following Bills, in PDF format, were introduced by the County Council at its August 5, 2013 meeting. These Bills will be discussed at the August 27, 2013 Work Session at 2 p.m. Final Reading and Vote will occur at the Legislative Session on Tuesday, September 3, 2013 at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Bill 42-13 CEB - Recovery Oriented System of Care (ROSC) Expansion

Bill 43-13 CEB - AIDS Case Management

Bill 44-13 CEB - Cigarette Restitution Fund - Tobacco

Bill 45-13 CEB - Access to Recovery

The following Resolutions, in PDF format, were introduced by the County Council at its August 5, 2013 meeting. These Resolutions will be discussed at the August 27, 2013 Work Session at 2 p.m. Final Reading and Vote will occur at the Legislative Session on Tuesday, September 3, 2013 at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Come out and watch your
County Council in action

Baltimore County Council meetings are open to the public and scheduled every first and third Monday at 6 pm., except holidays. For more details and updates, go to baltimorecountymd gov

Resolution 72-13 Commission on Environmental Quality - Tree Canopy Program

Resolution 73-13 Planning Board - Pasturing and Stabling of Livestock



Baltimore County Resources

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY- CALL 911 Snow/Storm- 410-887-3560 Other Non-Emergency Concerns- 410-887-2222

Employment/Jobs/Business

- Liberty Center employment/job training
 3637 Offutt Road, 410-887-8912, www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/jobtraining
- Liberty Road Business Association business group 9405 Liberty Road, 410-655-7766, www.lrba.biz
- Jobs with Baltimore County <u>www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/humanresources/jobs</u>

Health Services

- Liberty Resource Center county health services
 3525 Resource Drive, 410-887-0600, baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/health/healthservices
- Woodlawn Health Center county health services
 1811 Woodlawn Drive, 410-887-1332, <u>baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/health/healthservices</u>

Library branches

- Randallstown Library books, computers, events and more 8604 Liberty Road, 410-887-0770, www.bcpl.info/hours-locations/randallstown
- Owings Mills Library books, computers, events and more
 Metro Centre at Owings Mills, 410-887-2092, www.bcpl.info/hours-locations/owings-mills
- Woodlawn Library books, computers, events and more
 1811 Woodlawn Drive, 410-887-1336, www.bcpl.info/hours-locations/woodlawn

Mediation

• Baltimore County Conflict Resolution Center – conflict resolution services 410-663-7070, <u>www.CRCbaltimoreCounty.org</u>

<u>Recreation</u> – <u>www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/recreation</u>

- Liberty Road Recreation Council sports and recreation activities Milford Mill Academy, 3800 Washington Ave., 410-887-0700
- Northwest Regional Park sports fields, pavilions, playground, trails 4515 Deer Park Road, 410-887-1582,
- Owings Mills Recreation Council sports and recreation activities New Town High, 4931 New Town Boulevard, 410-887-1582
- Randallstown Community Center rec council sports, fitness, arts, meetings 3505 Resource Drive, 410-887-0698
- Randallstown Y Aquatics Center Y of Maryland pool and classes 3505 Resource Drive, 410-496-4272
- Woodlawn Community Center rec council, senior and community activities 2120 Gwynn Oak Ave, 410-887-1357

<u>Seniors</u>

- Liberty Senior Center senior services and activities
 3525 Resource Drive, 410-887-0780, www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/aging/centers
- Woodlawn Senior Center senior services and activities
 2120 Gwynn Oak Avenue, 410-887-6887, www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/aging/centers
- For more information go to www.baltimorecountymd.gov

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